

Applicant gratefully acknowledges that all previous rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, were found to have been overcome, and that Claims 8-11, 13-16, and 19-31 were found to contain allowable subject matter.

Amendments to the Claims

Claim 16 was amended to place this claim in independent form, including the limitations of intervening claims 2-5. Thus, the objections to this claim and claims 19-31, which depend thereon, have been removed.

Claim 1 has been amended with regard to the selections for the substituent R³. The selection of heteroalkylamino was added in claim 1, line (t), to provide antecedent basis for this selection in claim 2, line (d) (note claims 16 and 22 which had recited heteroalkylamino were found to contain allowable subject matter). In line (q), applicant has recited that the alkylene group and groups R³⁰ and R³¹ optionally may be substituted with one to two groups selected from OH and O(alkyl), as exemplified at pages 57 and 72 of the specification. In line (r), applicant has recited the group CO₂NHR', which is exemplified at page 59 (Example 16) of the specification. In claim 2, line (n), applicant has recited that the alkylene group and groups R³⁰ and R³¹ optionally may be substituted with one to two groups selected from OH and O(alkyl), as shown at pages 57 and 72 of the specification. This recitation for the Z-alkylene-NR³⁰R³¹ and Z-alkylene-OR³² groups is also included in claim 16.

The amendments to claims 1 and 2 do not comprise new matter as they are supported by the Examples herein (page numbers are recited above). Applicant further notes that the groups added to claims 1 and 2 are not found in the Faraci reference, WO 94/13643 ("Faraci").

New Claim 33

Applicant has added new Claim 33 which defines the substituent R³ with provisos directed to the groups identified in the Office Action as allegedly creating overlap with Faraci. The proviso's do not constitute new matter. *See In re Johnson*, 194 USPQ 187, 196 (C.C.P.A. 1977).¹

Response to Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a)

Claims 1-7, 12, and 32 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Faraci, WO 94/13643 ("Faraci").

Applicant understands that the 103(a) rejection is based on the rationale that certain selections for R³ in claim 1 overlap with selections for the substituents on the ring R³ in Faraci. To the extent there is overlap in the selections, the Office Action concludes that the instant application recites a subgenus which is considered obvious in view of a larger genus in Faraci, arguing that the "selection of 'some' from 'many' is *prima facie* obvious." (Office Action at page 3). Applicant has submitted new claim 33 which excises from the definition of R³ the groups that allegedly create an overlap, and thus, the argument in the Office Action does not apply to claim 33. Claim 33 is submitted, however, without prejudice to applicant's

¹ In *In re Johnson, supra*, the appellant had inserted two provisos into claim 1 of his application to carve out from the generic claim two particular species that were lost in an interference. *See* 194 USPQ at 191. Chief Judge Markey of the Court of Customs and Patent Appeals (predecessor court to the Federal Circuit), held that the provisos did not constitute "new matter":

The notion that one who fully discloses, and teaches those skilled in the art how to make and use, a genus and numerous species therewithin, has somehow failed to disclose, and teach to those skilled in the art how to make and use, that genus minus two of those species, and has thus failed to satisfy the requirements of § 112, first paragraph, appears to result from a hypertechnical application of legalistic prose relating to that provision of the statute.[A]ppellants are merely excising the invention of another, to which they are not entitled, and are not creating an "artificial subgenus" or claiming "new matter." [*Id.* at 196].

contention that the compounds defined by claim 1 do not overlap with Faraci and are not obvious in view of Faraci for the following reasons.

First, regarding the issue of overlap, each of the compounds identified in the Office Action (page 36, line 10, page 40, line 15, page 43, line 19, and page 44, lines 12-14), has a 3-methylthio group and a 1-phenyl substituent in turn having three substituents in the 2,4, and 6 positions. In the instant application, methylthio is not an optional 3-position substituent, and the 1-phenyl group has up to two substituents (R^5 and R^6). Thus, if one considers the Faraci compounds as a whole, and does not improperly dissect those compounds into discrete elements, there is no overlap. See MPEP 2141 (“The references must be considered as a whole”) (*citing Hodosh v. Block Drug Co.*, 786 F.2d 1136, 1143 n. 5, 229 USPQ 182, 187 n. 5 (Fed. Cir. 1986)), and MPEP 2144.08 (the “invention may not be dissected into discrete elements to be analyzed in isolation but must be considered as a whole”) (citing cases).

Second, there is no legal rule that the selection of “some” from “many” is *prima facie* obvious. Use of such *per se* rules is improper for determining obviousness. Moreover, “[t]he fact that a claimed species *or subgenus* is encompassed by a prior art genus is not sufficient by itself to establish a *prima facie* case of obviousness.” MPEP § 2144.08 (II), citing *In re Baird*, 16 F.3d 380, 382, 29 USPQ2d 1550, 1552 (Fed. Cir. 1994).

In determining obviousness in the case of a genus/subgenus, a first step is to determine the scope and content of the prior art *as a whole*, including such factors as the size of the prior art genus, the structure of the disclosed species, the physical properties of the compounds, and the number of species that fall within the genus. See MPEP § 2144.08 (II) (a)(1). Then, considering the size of the prior art genus, an analysis should be made whether one skilled in the field would have been motivated to select the claimed subgenus, given, for example, express teachings in the prior art and what is suggested for typical preferred compounds.

Looking at Faraci as a whole, a broad genus is described which includes an untold number of pyrazole-based compounds having two rings bonded or fused thereto (*see, e.g.*, page 14). The number of species encompassed by Faraci is difficult to quantify. The compounds are claimed to have CRF antagonist activity, rendering them effective primarily in treating stress-

related diseases, such as depression, anxiety and headache. (Faraci, page 1, lines 15-17, and page 4, lines 18-30). Particularly preferred species are identified in Faraci where R₂ is methylthio, R₃ is 2-chlorophenyl, and R₄ is 2,4,6-trichlorophenyl.

Thus, considering Faraci as a whole, it discloses a large genus of pyrazole-based compounds having CRF antagonist activity, and preferred selections are identified as having a 3-methylthio group, a 4-position phenyl in turn substituted at the 2-position (more preferably with Cl), and a 1-position phenyl having three small group substituents, such as Cl, Br, CF₃, CH₃, OCH₃, and the like. (*See generally* Faraci at pp. 31-47). One skilled in the field looking at Faraci would not have been motivated to identify a different genus of compounds having p38 kinase activity where the group R₂ is not methylthio, where the 1-position phenyl has two optional substituents, and where the 4-aryloxy group has a mandatory R₃ substituent as defined herein. While there is a general reference in Faraci to inflammatory conditions, the compounds in Faraci are designed to target CRF. One skilled in the field would not predict that a different, subgenus of pyrazole-based compounds, having different selections for the various substituents thereon, would have activity in inhibiting p38 kinase.

Accordingly, applicant requests that all rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) be withdrawn.

FEES

No fees should be due. One new claim was added, and claim 16 was placed in independent form. However, the case contains less than three independent claims and more than one claim was previously canceled. However, in the event it is determined that a fee is due, please charge same to Deposit Account No. 18-1700.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

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The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone at 650-852-1141 to expedite prosecution of this application. For the Examiner's convenience, a full set of the claims as pending should the instant amendments be entered is attached as Appendix B.

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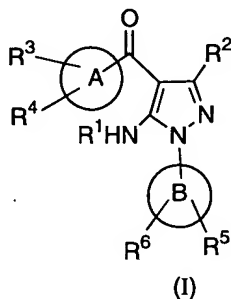
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APPENDIX A
VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

Claims 1, 2 and 16 have been amended as follows.

1. (Twice Amended) A compound selected from the group of compounds represented by Formula (I):



wherein:

R^1 is hydrogen or acyl;

R^2 is hydrogen or alkyl;

A and B are simultaneously an aryl or a heteroaryl ring;

R^3 is selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) optionally substituted heterocyclyl;
- (b) optionally substituted aryl or heteroaryl;
- (c) heteroalkenyl;
- (f) heteroalkynyl;
- (e) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkyl;
- (f) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkenyl;
- (g) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkynyl;
- (h) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkoxy, cycloxy or heterocycloxy;
- (i) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkylamino;
- (j) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkylcarbonyl;
- (k) -Y-(alkylene)- R^9 where:

Y is a single bond, -O-, -NH- or -S(O)_n- (where n is an integer from 0 to 2); and

R⁹ is cyano, optionally substituted heteroaryl, -COOH, -COR¹⁰, -COOR¹¹, -CONR¹²R¹³, -SO₂R¹⁴, -SO₂NR¹⁵R¹⁶, -NHSO₂R¹⁷ or -NHSO₂NR¹⁸R¹⁹, where R¹⁰ is optionally substituted

heterocycle, R¹¹ is alkyl, and R¹², R¹³, R¹⁴, R¹⁵, R¹⁶, R¹⁷, R¹⁸ and R¹⁹ are, independently of each other, hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl;

- (l) -C(=NR²⁰)(NR²¹R²²) where R²⁰, R²¹ and R²² independently represent hydrogen, alkyl or hydroxy, or R²⁰ and R²¹ together are - (CH₂)_n- where n is 2 or 3 and R²² is hydrogen or alkyl;
- (m) -NHC(X)NR²³R²⁴ where X is -O- or -S-, and R²³ and R²⁴ are, independently of each other, hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl;
- (n) -CONR²⁵R²⁶ where R²⁵ and R²⁶ independently represent hydrogen, alkyl, heteroalkyl or optionally substituted heterocyclalkyl, or R²⁵ and R²⁶ together with the nitrogen to which they are attached form an optionally substituted heterocycl ring;
- (o) cycloalkylalkyl, cycloalkylalkynyl and cycloalkylalkynyl, all optionally substituted with alkyl, halo, hydroxy or amino;
- (p) arylaminoalkylene or heteroarylaminoalkylene;
- (q) Z-alkylene-NR³⁰R³¹ or Z-alkylene-OR³² where Z is -O-, and R³⁰, R³¹ and R³² are independently of each other, hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl, wherein said alkylene and alkyl groups are optionally substituted with one to two groups selected from OH and O(alkyl);
- (r) -OC(O)-alkylene-CO₂H, or -OC(O)-NR'R'' , or CO₂NHR' (where R' and R'' are independently hydrogen or alkyl); ~~and~~
- (u) heteroarylalkenylene or heteroarylalkynylene; and
- (v) heteroalkylamino;

R⁴ is selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) hydrogen;
- (b) halo;
- (c) alkyl;
- (d) alkoxy; and
- (e) hydroxy;

R⁵ is selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) hydrogen;
- (b) halo;
- (c) alkyl;
- (d) haloalkyl;
- (e) thioalkyl;
- (f) hydroxy;
- (g) amino;
- (h) alkylamino;
- (i) dialkylamino;
- (j) heteroalkyl;
- (k) optionally substituted heterocycle;
- (l) optionally substituted heterocyclalkyl;
- (m) optionally substituted heterocyclalkoxy;
- (n) alkylsulfonyl;
- (o) aminosulfonyl, mono-alkylaminosulfonyl or di-alkylaminosulfonyl;
- (p) heteroalkoxy; and
- (q) carboxy;

R⁶ is selected from the group consisting of:

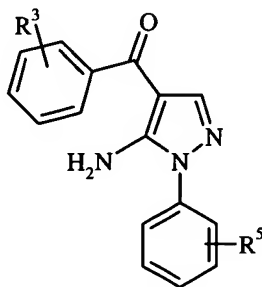
- (a) hydrogen;
- (b) halo;
- (c) alkyl; and
- (d) alkoxy; and

prodrugs, individual isomers, mixtures of isomers and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

2. (Twice Amended) The compound of Claim 1 wherein R³ is:
- (a) optionally substituted heterocyclyl;
 - (b) aryl or heteroaryl both optionally substituted with a substituent selected from halo, alkyl, amino, alkoxy, carboxy, lower alkoxy carbonyl, SO₂R' (where R' is alkyl) or SO₂NHR'R'' (where R' and R'' are independently hydrogen or alkyl);
 - (c) heteroalkenyl;
 - (d) heteroalkylamino;
 - (e) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkyl or heterocycliloxy;
 - (f) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkenyl;
 - (g) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkynyl;
 - (h) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkoxy;
 - (i) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkylamino;
 - (j) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkylcarbonyl;
 - (m) -Y-(alkylene)-R⁹ where Y is a single bond, -O- or -NH- and R⁹ is optionally substituted heteroaryl, -CONR¹²R¹³, SO₂R¹⁴, -SO₂NR¹⁵R¹⁶, -NHSO₂R¹⁷ or -NHSO₂NR¹⁸R¹⁹ where R¹², R¹³, R¹⁴, R¹⁵, R¹⁶, R¹⁷, R¹⁸ and R¹⁹ are independently of each other hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl,
 - (n) cycloalkylalkyl, cycloalkylalkynyl and cycloalkylalkynyl, all optionally substituted with alkyl, halo, hydroxy or amino;
 - (m) arylaminoalkylene or heteroarylaminomethylene; or
 - (n) Z-alkylene-NR³⁰R³¹ where Z is -O-, and R³⁰ and R³¹ are independently of each other, hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl, wherein said alkylene and alkyl groups are optionally substituted with one to two groups selected from OH and O(alkyl).

16. (Twice Amended) ~~The compound of Claim 5, wherein~~

A compound selected from the group of compounds represented by the Formula:



wherein:

R⁵ is halo or alkyl; and

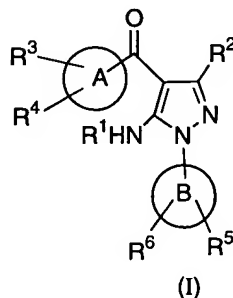
R³ is:

- (a) heteroalkylamino;
- (b) optionally substituted heterocyclalkyl;
- (c) optionally substituted heterocyclalkoxy;
- (d) optionally substituted heterocyclalkylamino;
- (e) -Y-(alkylene)-R⁹ where Y is a single bond, -O- or -NH- and R⁹ is optionally substituted heteroaryl, -CONR¹²R¹³, SO₂R¹⁴, -SO₂NR¹⁵R¹⁶, -NHSO₂R¹⁷ or -NHSO₂NR¹⁸R¹⁹ where R¹², R¹³, R¹⁴, R¹⁵, R¹⁶, R¹⁷, R¹⁸ and R¹⁹ are independently of each other hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl; or
- (f) Z-alkylene-NR³⁰R³¹ where Z is -O-, and R³⁰ and R³¹ are independently of each other, hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl, wherein said alkylene and alkyl groups are optionally substituted with one to two groups selected from OH and O(alkyl); and

prodrugs, individual isomers, mixtures of isomers and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

APPENDIX B
PENDING CLAIMS

1. (Amended Herein) A compound selected from the group of compounds represented by Formula (I):



wherein:

R¹ is hydrogen or acyl;

R² is hydrogen or alkyl;

A and B are simultaneously an aryl or a heteroaryl ring;

R³ is selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) optionally substituted heterocyclyl;
- (b) optionally substituted aryl or heteroaryl;
- (c) heteroalkenyl;
- (g) heteroalkynyl;
- (e) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkyl;
- (f) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkenyl;
- (g) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkynyl;
- (h) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkoxy, cycloxy or heterocycloxy;
- (i) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkylamino;
- (j) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkylcarbonyl;
- (k) -Y-(alkylene)-R⁹ where:

Y is a single bond, -O-, -NH- or -S(O)_n- (where n is an integer from 0 to 2); and

R^9 is cyano, optionally substituted heteroaryl, $-\text{COOH}$, $-\text{COR}^{10}$, $-\text{COOR}^{11}$, $-\text{CONR}^{12}\text{R}^{13}$, $-\text{SO}_2\text{R}^{14}$, $-\text{SO}_2\text{NR}^{15}\text{R}^{16}$, $-\text{NHSO}_2\text{R}^{17}$ or $-\text{NHSO}_2\text{NR}^{18}\text{R}^{19}$, where R^{10} is optionally substituted

heterocycle, R^{11} is alkyl, and R^{12} , R^{13} , R^{14} , R^{15} , R^{16} , R^{17} , R^{18} and R^{19} are, independently of each other, hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl;

- (l) $-\text{C}(=\text{NR}^{20})(\text{NR}^{21}\text{R}^{22})$ where R^{20} , R^{21} and R^{22} independently represent hydrogen, alkyl or hydroxy, or R^{20} and R^{21} together are $-(\text{CH}_2)_n-$ where n is 2 or 3 and R^{22} is hydrogen or alkyl;
- (m) $-\text{NHC}(\text{X})\text{NR}^{23}\text{R}^{24}$ where X is $-\text{O}-$ or $-\text{S}-$, and R^{23} and R^{24} are, independently of each other, hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl;
- (n) $-\text{CONR}^{25}\text{R}^{26}$ where R^{25} and R^{26} independently represent hydrogen, alkyl, heteroalkyl or optionally substituted heterocyclalkyl, or R^{25} and R^{26} together with the nitrogen to which they are attached form an optionally substituted heterocycl ring;
- (o) cycloalkylalkyl, cycloalkylalkynyl and cycloalkylalkynyl, all optionally substituted with alkyl, halo, hydroxy or amino;
- (p) arylaminoalkylene or heteroarylaminomalkylene;
- (q) $\text{Z-alkylene-NR}^{30}\text{R}^{31}$ or $\text{Z-alkylene-OR}^{32}$ where Z is $-\text{O}-$, and R^{30} , R^{31} and R^{32} are independently of each other, hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl, wherein said alkylene and alkyl groups are optionally substituted with one to two groups selected from OH and O(alkyl) ;
- (r) $-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{-alkylene-CO}_2\text{H}$, $-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{-NR}'\text{R}''$, or $\text{CO}_2\text{NHR}'$ (where R' and R'' are independently hydrogen or alkyl);
- (w) heteroarylalkenylene or heteroarylalkynylene; and
- (x) heteroalkylamino;

R^4 is selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) hydrogen;
- (b) halo;

- (c) alkyl;
- (d) alkoxy; and
- (e) hydroxy;

R^5 is selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) hydrogen;
- (b) halo;
- (c) alkyl;
- (d) haloalkyl;
- (e) thioalkyl;
- (f) hydroxy;
- (g) amino;
- (h) alkylamino;
- (i) dialkylamino;
- (j) heteroalkyl;
- (k) optionally substituted heterocycle;
- (l) optionally substituted heterocyclalkyl;
- (m) optionally substituted heterocyclalkoxy;
- (n) alkylsulfonyl;
- (o) aminosulfonyl, mono-alkylaminosulfonyl or dialkylaminosulfonyl;
- (p) heteroalkoxy; and
- (q) carboxy;

R^6 is selected from the group consisting of:

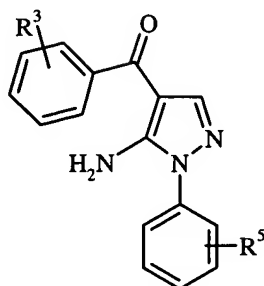
- (a) hydrogen;
- (b) halo;
- (c) alkyl; and
- (d) alkoxy; and

prodrugs, individual isomers, mixtures of isomers and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

2. (Amended Herein) The compound of Claim 1 wherein R^3 is:
- (a) optionally substituted heterocyclyl;
 - (b) aryl or heteroaryl both optionally substituted with a substituent selected from halo, alkyl, amino, alkoxy, carboxy, lower alkoxy carbonyl, SO_2R' (where R' is alkyl) or $SO_2NHR'R''$ (where R' and R'' are independently hydrogen or alkyl);
 - (c) heteroalkenyl;
 - (d) heteroalkylamino;
 - (e) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkyl or heterocycliloxy;
 - (f) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkenyl;
 - (g) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkynyl;
 - (h) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkoxy;
 - (i) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkylamino;
 - (j) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkylcarbonyl;
 - (o) $-Y-(alkylene)-R^9$ where Y is a single bond, $-O-$ or $-NH-$ and R^9 is optionally substituted heteroaryl, $-CONR^{12}R^{13}$, SO_2R^{14} , $-SO_2NR^{15}R^{16}$, $-NHSO_2R^{17}$ or $-NHSO_2NR^{18}R^{19}$ where R^{12} , R^{13} , R^{14} , R^{15} , R^{16} , R^{17} , R^{18} and R^{19} are independently of each other hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl,
 - (p) cycloalkylalkyl, cycloalkylalkynyl and cycloalkylalkynyl, all optionally substituted with alkyl, halo, hydroxy or amino;
 - (m) arylaminoalkylene or heteroarylaminomethylene; or
 - (n) $Z-alkylene-NR^{30}R^{31}$ where Z is $-O-$, and R^{30} and R^{31} are independently of each other, hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl, wherein said alkylene and alkyl groups are optionally substituted with one to two groups selected from OH and O(alkyl).

3. The compound of Claim 2 wherein R^1 and R^2 are hydrogen; and B is phenyl.
4. The compound of Claim 3 wherein A is phenyl.
5. The compound of Claim 4 wherein R^4 is hydrogen; and R^5 is halo or alkyl.
6. The compound of Claim 5 wherein R^5 is chloro, fluoro or methyl; and R^6 is hydrogen, chloro, fluoro, methyl or methoxy.
7. The compound of Claim 5, wherein R^3 is optionally substituted heteroaryl.
8. The compound of Claim 7, wherein R^3 is pyridin-2-yl, pyridin-3-yl, pyridin-4-yl, N-oxidopyridin-2-yl, N-oxidopyridin-3-yl, N-oxidopyridin-4-yl or pyridon-2-yl, all optionally substituted.
9. The compound of Claim 8, wherein R^3 is at the 3-position.
10. The compound of Claim 9, wherein R^5 is 4-F and R^6 is hydrogen.
11. The compound of Claim 9, wherein R^5 is 2-Me and R^6 is hydrogen.
12. The compound of Claim 5, wherein R^3 is optionally substituted phenyl.
13. The compound of Claim 12, wherein R^3 is 3-sulfamoylphenyl, 3-methylsulfonylphenyl, 3-carboxyphenyl or 3-ethoxycarbonylphenyl.
14. The compound of Claim 13, wherein R^3 is at the 3-position.
15. The compound of Claim 14, wherein R^5 is 4-F and R^6 is hydrogen.

16. (Amended Herein) A compound selected from the group of compounds represented by the Formula:



wherein:

R^5 is halo or alkyl; and

R^3 is:

- (a) heteroalkylamino;
- (b) optionally substituted heterocyclalkyl;
- (c) optionally substituted heterocyclalkoxy;
- (d) optionally substituted heterocyclalkylamino;
- (e) $-Y-(alkylene)-R^9$ where Y is a single bond, $-O-$ or $-NH-$ and R^9 is optionally substituted heteroaryl, $-CONR^{12}R^{13}$, SO_2R^{14} , $-SO_2NR^{15}R^{16}$, $NHSO_2R^{17}$ or $-NHSO_2NR^{18}R^{19}$ where R^{12} , R^{13} , R^{14} , R^{15} , R^{16} , R^{17} , R^{18} and R^{19} are independently of each other hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl; or
- (f) $Z-alkylene-NR^{30}R^{31}$ where Z is $-O-$, and R^{30} and R^{31} are independently of each other, hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl, wherein said alkylene and alkyl groups are optionally substituted with one to two groups selected from OH and O(alkyl); and

prodrugs, individual isomers, mixtures of isomers and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

19. The compound of Claim 16, wherein R^5 is 2-F and R^6 is 4-F.

20. The compound of Claim 16, wherein R^5 is 4-F and R^6 is hydrogen.

21. The compound of Claim 16, wherein R^5 is 2-Me and R^6 is hydrogen.
22. The compound of Claim 16, wherein R^3 is heteroalkylamino.
23. The compound of Claim 22, wherein R^3 is at the 3-position and is selected from the group consisting of 2-dimethylaminoethylamino and 3-dimethylaminopropylamino.
24. The compound of Claim 23 wherein R^5 is 4-F or 2-Me and R^6 is hydrogen.
25. The compound of Claim 16, wherein R^3 is optionally substituted heterocyclalkyl, optionally substituted heterocyclalkoxy or optionally substituted heterocyclalkylamino.
26. The compound of Claim 25, wherein R^3 is at the 3-position and is selected from the group consisting of 3-(morpholin-4-yl)propoxy, 2-(morpholin-4-yl)ethoxy, 2-(2-oxo-pyrrolidin-1-yl)ethoxy, 3-(morpholin-4-yl)propyl, 2-(morpholin-4-yl)ethyl, 4-(morpholin-4-yl)butyl, 3-(morpholin-4-yl)propylamino, 2-(morpholin-4-yl)ethylamino, 4-hydroxypiperidinylmethyl, 2-(S,S-dioxo-thiamorpholin-4-yl)ethyl, 3-(S,S-dioxo-thiamorpholin-4-yl)propyl and N-methylpiperazinylmethyl.
27. The compound of Claim 26 wherein R^5 is 4-F or 2-Me and R^6 is hydrogen.
28. The compound of Claim 16 wherein R^3 is -Y-(alkylene)- R^9 where Y is a single bond, -O- or -NH- and R^9 is optionally substituted heteroaryl, -CONR¹²R¹³, SO₂R¹⁴, -SO₂NR¹⁵R¹⁶ -NHSO₂R¹⁷ or -NHSO₂NR¹⁸R¹⁹ where R¹², R¹³, R¹⁴, R¹⁵, R¹⁶, R¹⁷, R¹⁸ and R¹⁹ are independently of each other hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl.
29. The compound of Claim 28, wherein Y is a single bond and R^9 is SO₂R¹⁴ or -SO₂NR¹⁵R¹⁶.
30. The compound of Claim 29 wherein R^3 is methylsulfonyl ethyl or sulfamoyl ethyl.

31. The compound of Claim 30 wherein R^5 is 4-F or 2-Me and R^6 is hydrogen.

32. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of Claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

33. (New) The compound of Claim 1 wherein R^3 is selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) optionally substituted heterocyclyl;
- (b) optionally substituted aryl or heteroaryl, provided, however, that R^3 is not unsubstituted phenyl, unsubstituted thienyl, or unsubstituted pyrrolyl;
- (c) heteroalkenyl;
- (h) heteroalkynyl;
- (e) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkyl;
- (f) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkenyl;
- (g) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkynyl;
- (h) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkoxy, cycloxy or heterocycloxy;
- (i) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkylamino;
- (j) optionally substituted heterocyclylalkylcarbonyl;
- (k) -Y-(alkylene)- R^9 where:

Y is a single bond, -O-, -NH- or -S(O)_n- (where n is an integer from 0 to 2); and

R^9 is cyano, optionally substituted heteroaryl, -COOH, -COR¹⁰, -COOR¹¹, -CONR¹²R¹³, -SO₂R¹⁴, -SO₂NR¹⁵R¹⁶, -NHSO₂R¹⁷ or -NHSO₂NR¹⁸R¹⁹, where R^{10} is optionally substituted

heterocycle, R^{11} is alkyl, and R^{12} , R^{13} , R^{14} , R^{15} , R^{16} , R^{17} , R^{18} and R^{19} are, independently of each other, hydrogen, alkyl or

- heteroalkyl, provided, however, that -Y-(alkylene)-R⁹ taken together are not -(CH₂)₃-CO₂CH₃ or -CH₂-CO₂CH₂CH₃;
- (l) -C(=NR²⁰)(NR²¹R²²) where R²⁰, R²¹ and R²² independently represent hydrogen, alkyl or hydroxy, or R²⁰ and R²¹ together are -(CH₂)_n- where n is 2 or 3 and R²² is hydrogen or alkyl;
- (m) -NHC(X)NR²³R²⁴ where X is -O- or -S-, and R²³ and R²⁴ are, independently of each other, hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl;
- (n) -CONR²⁵R²⁶ where R²⁵ and R²⁶ independently represent hydrogen, alkyl, heteroalkyl or optionally substituted heterocyclalkyl, or R²⁵ and R²⁶ together with the nitrogen to which they are attached form an optionally substituted heterocycl ring;
- (o) cycloalkylalkyl, cycloalkylalkynyl and cycloalkylalkynyl, all optionally substituted with alkyl, halo, hydroxy or amino;
- (p) arylaminoalkylene or heteroarylaminomalkylene;
- (q) Z-alkylene-NR³⁰R³¹ or Z-alkylene-OR³² where Z is -O-, and R³⁰, R³¹ and R³² are independently of each other, hydrogen, alkyl or heteroalkyl, wherein said alkylene and alkyl groups are optionally substituted with one to two groups selected from OH and O(alkyl);
- (r) -OC(O)-alkylene-CO₂H, -OC(O)-NR'R'', or CO₂NHR' (where R' and R'' are independently hydrogen or alkyl);
- (v) heteroarylalkenylene or heteroarylalkynylene;
- (w) heteroalkylamino; and
- (x) iodo.